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## Boone County to Hold State's First Family Treatment Court Graduation

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JULIAN, W.Va. – Boone County will host West Virginia's first Family Treatment Court graduation at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, at the WaterWays water park, 628 Waterway Road, in Julian.

The graduation ceremony will be held at the picnic area near the ball field, beyond the pools, which are closed for the summer because of COVID-19.

The public and the media are invited. Masks and social distancing are required. Individually wrapped refreshments will be provided following the ceremony.

Family Treatment Courts are designed to return children to a safer home environment and achieve permanency faster and more effectively than traditional methods. Family Treatment Courts serve individuals with substance use disorders who are also involved in a child abuse and neglect case. The Supreme Court provides oversight, technical assistance, and training. A State Family Treatment Court Advisory Committee and the Supreme Court Division of Probation Services set criteria for the eligibility and participation.

Boone County has one of five Family Treatment Courts in West Virginia. The others are in Nicholas, Ohio, Randolph, and Roane Counties.

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